AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) A computer implemented method for use in populating an electronic address book, comprising:

searching, over a network, through at least one archive of e-mails for an e-mail address, each of the at least one archive of e-mails being based on a different application from a first application used to initiate the searching; to receive a first defined criteria communicated over the network from a client browser during a communication session with the first application; and to create the electronic address book;

evaluating the e-mail address based on the first defined criterion, which limits the selection of the e-mail address based on a prior communication action performed using the e-mail address; and

automatically adding the e-mail address to the electronic address book in a priority order based on the first defined criterion if the first defined criterion is satisfied, wherein the e-mail address is added to a folder within the electronic address book, such that the folder is with the application that is associated with the at least one archive that is associated with the e-mail address.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the searching includes searching a "from" field, a "to" field and a "cc" field.

3. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the evaluating includes determining if the e-mail address already exists in the electronic address book, and not adding the e-mail address in the electronic address book if it already exists in the electronic address book.

4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the evaluating includes evaluating the e-mail address based on a second defined criterion; and the adding includes adding the e-mail address to the electronic address book if both the first and the second defined criterion are satisfied, and not adding the e-mail address to the electronic address book unless both the first and second defined criteria are satisfied.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

determining if the at least one archive from which the e-mail address was retrieved includes an organization of emails;

organizing the electronic address book according to at least a portion of the organization of the at least one archive from which the e-mail address was retrieved; and

the adding includes adding the e-mail such that the e-mail address is added according to the organized address book.

6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

generating a retrieved list of e-mail addresses retrieved during the searching that satisfy the first defined criterion; and

the adding includes adding the e-mail addresses if the e-mail address is confirmed to be added.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, further comprising:

generating a verification list of at least the e-mail address added to the address book.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, further comprising:

receiving confirmation of additions based on the retrieved list prior to the adding the e-mail address.

9. (Previously presented) A computer implemented method for use in generating and maintaining an address book, comprising:

accessing, over a network, an electronic archive comprising a list of e-mail addresses generated with a first application;

parsing, over the network, the electronic archive for the e-mail addresses, based on the first application;

applying a first criterion to a first retrieved e-mail address, wherein the first criterion is received over the network from a client browser during a communication session with a different

application that also generates the electronic address book and generates a different archive comprising a different list of email addresses, and wherein the first criterion limits the selection of the retrieved e-mail address based on a prior communication action performed using the retrieved e-mail address; and

adding the first retrieved e-mail address to an electronic address book in a priority order based on the first criterion if the first criterion is met, wherein the first retrieved e-mail address is added to a folder within the electronic address book that is identified with the different application.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the applying includes applying a second criterion to the first retrieved address; and the adding includes adding the first retrieved address to the electronic address book if both the first and second criteria are met.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, further comprising:

supplying a plurality of criteria options; and

receiving a selection of criteria including the first and second criteria.

12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein the archive includes an archive of e-mails; and the parsing includes parsing a plurality of fields associated with each e-mail of the archive.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, further comprising:

accessing, over the network, an external archive comprising a second list of e-mail addresses generated with a second application;

parsing the external archive for e-mail addresses;

retrieving e-mail addresses from the external archive; and

applying the first and second criteria; and

adding the retrieved e-mail addresses from the external archive if the retrieved e-mail addresses from the external archives meet both the first and second criteria.

14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, further comprising:

determining if the archive includes an organizational folder;

determining if the e-mail address was retrieved from the organization folder; and

generating the folder within the electronic addresses book.

15. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, further comprising:

generating a nickname in association with the first retrieved e-mail address; and

adding the nickname associated with the first retrieved e-mail address to the electronic address book.

16. (Previously presented) An apparatus for use in generating and updating an electronic address book, comprising:

an electronic address book configured to store one or more e-mail addresses;

means for scanning, over a network, configured to search one or more archives for at least one e-mail address and to retrieve the at least one e-mail address, wherein each of the one or more archives is generated with a different application from a first application used to initiate the search; to filter the e-mail address according to a criterion communicated over the network from a client browser during a communication session with the first application; and to create the address book;

means for filtering configured to receive the at least one e-mail address from the means for scanning and to pass the e-mail address if the e-mail address satisfies the criterion of the means for filtering, wherein the criterion limits the selection of e-mail address based on a prior communication action performed using the e-mail address; and

means for adding configured to add the at least one e-mail address to the address book in a priority order based on the criterion if the at least one address is passed by the filter, wherein the e-mail address is added to a folder within the address book such that the folder is identified with the different application.

17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the archive includes a plurality of e-mails having a plurality of fields; and the means for scanning is configured to scan the plurality of fields of the plurality of e-mails.

18. (Previously presented) A computer readable medium encoded with code segments for use in populating an electronic address book, the computer readable medium comprising:

a code segment for searching, over a network, through at least one electronic archive of e-mails for e-mail addresses, each of the at least one electronic archive of emails being based on a different application from a first application used to initiate the searching; to receive a first defined criteria communicated over the network from a client browser during a communication session with the first application; and to create the electronic address book;

a code segment for evaluating a retrieved e-mail address based on the first defined criterion, which limits the selection of the retrieved e-mail address based on a prior communication action performed using the retrieved e-mail address; and

a code segment for adding the retrieved e-mail address to the electronic address book if the first defined criterion is satisfied, wherein the retrieved email address is added to a sub-folder within the electronic address book, such that the sub-folder is identified with the different application.

19. (Previously presented) The computer readable medium of claim 18, further comprising:

a code segment for evaluating retrieved the e-mail address based on a second criterion; and

the code segment for adding is configured to add the retrieved e-mail address to the electronic address book if both the first and second criteria are satisfied.

20. (Previously presented) The computer readable medium of claim 19, further comprising:

a code segment for supplying a plurality of criteria options; and

a code segment for receiving a selection of criteria including the first and second criteria.

21. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for use in populating an electronic address book over a network, comprising:

a transceiver in communication with the network;

a processor in communication with the transceiver; and

a memory in communication with the processor, and storing processor executable instructions that cause the processor to perform a plurality of actions, including:

accessing, over the network, a plurality of archives of e-mails for an e-mail, each of the plurality of archives of e-mails being within a different one of a plurality of applications;

parsing the e-mail to obtain an e-mail address based at least in part on a first one of the plurality of applications that is associated with the e-mail, and to determine a relevance rating for the email address based on whether language in a body of the e-mail is utilized in outgoing e-mails in a selected user's archive of outgoing e-mails that is within a second one of the plurality of applications;

automatically adding the e-mail address to the electronic address book in a priority order based on the relevance rating, wherein the e-mail address is added to a folder within the electronic address book, such that the folder is identified with the first one of the plurality of applications that is associated with the email; and

providing to a user device, over the network, an access to the electronic address book.

22. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein adding the e-mail address to the electronic address book further comprises adding the e-mail address if the e-mail address occurs at a certain frequency, wherein the e-mail address is automatically excluded if the e-mail address occurs below the certain frequency, the e-mail address is similar to another e-mail address, or a date associated with the e-mail address meets a threshold.

23. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the electronic address book is stored at least on one of the user device, the apparatus, or another network device.

24. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein at least one of the plurality archives of e-mails is stored on the apparatus, the user device, or another network device.

25. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the parsing further comprises sending a parsing instruction to cause remote parsing of the e-mail on a network device which stores the plurality of archives of e-mails.

26. (Canceled)

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28. (Previously presented) An apparatus for use in populating a destination electronic address book over a network, comprising:

a transceiver in communication with the network;

a processor in communication with the transceiver; and

a memory in communication with the processor, and storing processor executable instructions that cause the processor to perform a plurality of actions, including:

accessing a first source electronic address book for a first e-mail address that is also associated with a first phone number, the first source electronic address book comprising a list of e-mail addresses generated with a first application that is different from a destination application used to generate the destination electronic address book;

evaluating the e-mail address based on a first defined criterion that includes a frequency with which the e-mail address is detected in an archive of e-mails that are associated with the destination electronic address book; and

adding the e-mail address and the phone number to the destination electronic address book if the first defined criterion is satisfied, wherein the e-mail address and phone number are added in a priority order based on the first defined criterion into a folder of the destination electronic address book that is associated with the first defined criterion and is identified with the first application.

29. (Previously presented) The apparatus of Claim 28, wherein the actions further comprising:

accessing a second source electronic address book for a second e-mail address, the second source electronic address book comprising a list of e-mail addresses generated with a second application;

evaluating the second e-mail address based on the first defined criterion; and

adding the second e-mail address to the destination electronic address book if the first defined criterion is satisfied.